

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Eugene J. Alexander et al.

Application No.: 09/882,363

Group No.: 3736

Filed: June 15, 2001

Examiner: Foreman, Jonathan M.

For: Assessing the Condition of a Joint and Preventing Damage

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)**

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:

Prior to abandonment of the application

ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is:

A response.

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of other than small entity.

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: 810.00

FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

| | (Col. 1) | (Col. 2) | (Col. 3) | OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY | | |
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| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT EXTRA | RATE | ADDIT. FEE | |
| TOTAL | 48 | — | 39 | = 9 x \$ | 52.00 | = \$ 468.00 |
| INDEP. | 2 | — | 7 | = 0 x \$ | 220.00 | = \$ 0.00 |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM | | | | + \$ | 390.00 | = \$ 0.00 |
| TOTAL ADDIT. FEE | | | | | \$ | 468.00 |

Total additional fee required is \$468.00

EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for three months:

Fee: \$1,110.00

TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

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| Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e)) | \$810.00 |
| Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d)) | \$468.00 |
| Extension of time fee (Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) | \$1,110.00 |
| Total Fee(s) Due: | \$2,388.00 |

PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

Charge Account 19-4972 the sum of \$2,388.00.

Please charge any required additional fee(s) for § 1.17(e), § 1.16(b)-(d) and/or § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to Account 19-4972.

INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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